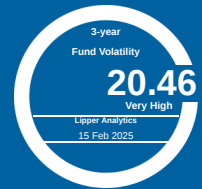


# Principal China Direct Opportunities Fund - Class USD

28 February 2025



## Fund Objective

The Fund seeks opportunities through investments primarily in China A-Shares with the aim to provide capital appreciation. The Fund will invest at least 70% of its NAV (both inclusive) in equities that are listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange or the Shenzhen Stock Exchange (China A-Shares) directly via RQFII quota. Under general market conditions, the Fund will seek opportunities within the China A-Shares universe by focusing mainly in mid-capitalization and/or small-capitalization companies which have good growth potential when compared against its peers or the overall market.

## Lipper Score

Total Return

Consistent Return

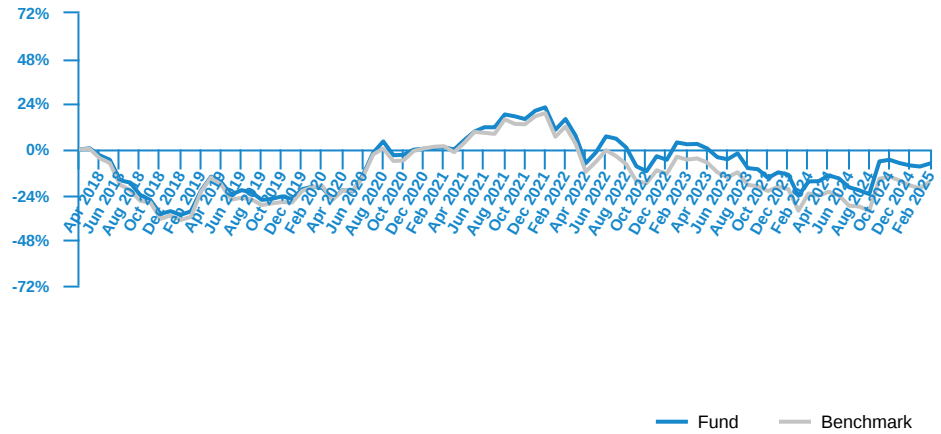
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## Fund Information

ISIN Code	MYU1002GF001
Lipper ID	68476163
Bloomberg Ticker	CPCDUSD MK
Domicile	Malaysia
Currency	USD
Base Currency	CNY
Fund Inception	8 Mar 2018
Benchmark	CSI500 Index
Application Fee	Up to 5.50% of the NAV per unit
Management Fee	Up to 1.80% per annum of the NAV of the Class
Trustee Fee	Up to 0.045% per annum of the NAV of the Fund
Fund Size (USD)	USD 4.18 million
Fund Unit	4.66 million units
NAV per unit (As at 28 Feb 2025)	USD 0.8978
Initial Offering Period (IOP) Date	29 Mar 2018
Initial Offering Period (IOP) Price	USD 1.00

## Fund Performance



Past performance does not guarantee future results. Asset allocation and diversification do not ensure a profit or protect against a loss.

Cumulative Performance (%)								
	YTD	1M	3M	6M	1Y	3Y	5Y	Since Inception
Fund	1.13	1.78	-0.20	21.18	11.43	-20.25	16.37	-7.41
Benchmark	2.57	4.57	-0.55	22.93	8.24	-25.91	3.17	-16.91

Calendar Year Returns (%)							
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	
Fund	5.65	-8.31	-22.71	21.80	27.10	20.71	
Benchmark	2.47	-9.26	-26.94	18.60	28.74	24.57	

Most Recent Fund Distributions						
						2022 Jun
Gross (cent/unit)						3.22
Annualised Yield (%)						3.11

Note: March 2018 to February 2025.

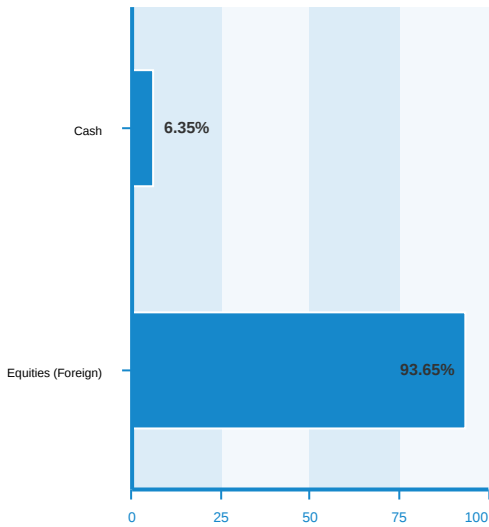
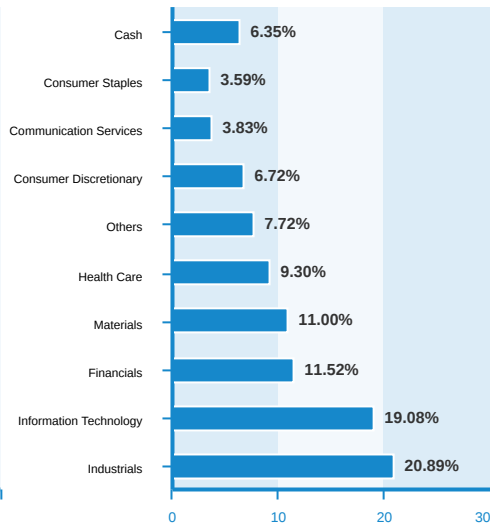
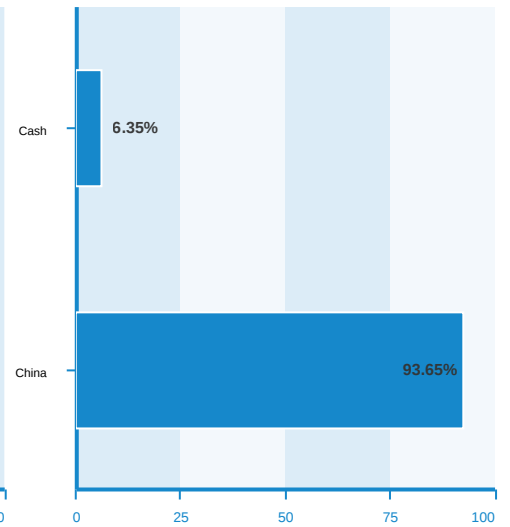
Performance data represents the combined income & capital return as a result of holding units in the fund for the specified length of time, based on bid to bid prices. Earnings are assumed to be reinvested.

Annualised yield is calculated as the most recent monthly dividend distribution multiplied by the Fund's dividend frequency and divided by the latest NAV.

Source : Lipper

Top Holdings	Country	% of Net Assets	Fund Risk Statistics	
Soochow Securities Co Ltd	China	2.09	Beta	0.92
Bank Of Xi'an Co Ltd	China	1.56	Information Ratio	0.23
Guosen Securities Co Ltd	China	1.42	Sharpe Ratio	-0.13
Sdic Capital Co Ltd	China	1.12	(3 years monthly data)	
Cosco Shipping Holdings Co Ltd	China	1.10		
Tianshui Huatian Technology	China	1.07		
Kuang-chi Technologies Co Ltd	China	1.03		
Western Mining Co	China	0.95		
Jiangsu Hoperun Software Co Ltd	China	0.91		
Western Superconducting Technologies	China	0.87		

The holdings listed do not constitute a recommendation to purchase or sell a particular security. Any repeated issuer shown means same issuer with different coupon rate and/or maturity date. Cash and/or derivative positions that are not part of the core investment strategy will not be reflected in the top holdings list.

**Asset Allocation (%)****Sector Allocation (%)****Regional Allocation (%)**

Fund holdings and allocations shown are unaudited and may not be representative of current or future investments. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding and/or inclusion or exclusion of cash will not be reflected in the top holdings list.

**Fund Manager's Report**

The Fund rose 1.78% during the month, underperforming the benchmark by 2.79%.

While the Chinese economy remains soft, there are some signs of improvement. Primary property sales of the top developers were flat on a year-on-year basis in the first 2 months of 2025 (4Q24: +2%). Beijing indicated the government would deregulate the economy and level the playing field for private enterprises assuming that the residential property sales may stabilize in 2025, potentially ending a 4-year downtrend.

In February 2025, China's equity markets experienced a significant rally, with the Hang Seng Index surging 13.4% and Shanghai Composite Index rising 2.2%. The robust performance was driven by several key factors. The residential property market is stabilizing and hence will not be a big drag on households unlike the last 4 years, private sector sentiment has improved after President Xi met with tech executives and Alibaba guided for higher capex spending and government policy is modestly supportive of consumption and focused on tech innovation. Other risks to consider are continued weak business and consumer sentiment in China, risk of higher level of tariffs imposed on China by the US and rising geopolitical risks.

We recommend that you read and understand the contents of the Master Prospectus dated 10 July 2023, which have been deposited with Securities Commission Malaysia before investing and that you keep the said Master Prospectus for your record. Any issue of units to which the Master Prospectus relates will only be made upon receipt of the completed application form referred to in and accompanying the Master Prospectus, subject to the terms and conditions therein. The principal risks are returns not guaranteed, general market environment risk, manager's risk, inflation risk and loan financing risk. The specific risks of the Target Fund are stock specific risk, country risk, credit and default risk, liquidity risk, currency risk and RQFII regime risk. You can obtain a copy of the Prospectus from the head office of Principal Asset Management Berhad or from any of our approved distributors. We suggest that you consider these fees and charges carefully prior to making an investment. Unit prices and income distributions, if any, may fall or rise. Past performance is not reflective of future performance and income distributions are not guaranteed. Product Highlight Sheet ("PHS") is available and that investors have the right to request for a PHS; and the PHS and any other product disclosure document should be read and understood before making any investment decision. There are fees and charges involved in investing in the funds. We suggest that you consider these fees and charges carefully prior to making an investment. Unit prices and income distributions, if any, may fall or rise. Past performance is not reflective of future performance and income distributions are not guaranteed. You are also advised to read and understand the contents of the Financing for Investment in Unit Trust Risk Disclosure Statement/Unit Trust Loan Financing Risk Disclosure Statement before deciding to borrow to purchase units. All performance figures have been extracted from Lipper. Where a unit split/distribution is declared, investors are advised that following the issue of additional units/distribution, the NAV per unit will be reduced from pre-unit split NAV/cum-distribution NAV to post-unit split NAV/ex-distribution NAV; and where a unit split is declared, the value of your investment will remain unchanged after the distribution of the additional units.

Carefully consider a fund's objective, risks, charges and expenses.

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